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Sir:

Pursuant to his duty of good faith and candor as set forth in 37 CFR 1.56(a), applicant requests that the references cited on attached form PTO-1449 (a copy of which is enclosed) be considered by the Examiner.

Please note that two Japanese Patent Application Publications were cited and discussed in the Notice of Reasons for Rejection mailed on January 10, 2006 from the Japan Patent Office in the priority application. The relevance of these references can be seen from the enclosed Notice of Reasons for Rejection. The English abstracts for these references are also enclosed.

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Please also note that enclosed is a copy of U.S. Patent No. 6,853,461 which is an English language counterpart for Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 11-308401.

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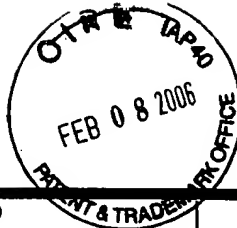
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